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## METHOD FOR MANAGING A STREAMING MEDIA SERVICE

5 ABSTRACT

One embodiment of the invention includes a method for managing a streaming media service. The method includes receiving a request for a streaming media service from a client. The streaming media service includes a plurality of media services components. Additionally, the method includes determining which media service component of the plurality of media services components to assign to a service node of a plurality of service nodes of a network. The method also includes informing each service node assigned to perform a media service component of the plurality of media services components enabling the streaming media service to be performed on a streaming media.